

CONSTITUTION

Article One -

Elarim hereby affirms its right to govern itself democratically and to protect the rights of the citizens of its sovereign member states. There shall be three branches of Government; The Legislature, Executive and Judiciary. The Legislature shall have the power to propose and pass laws. The Executive has the responsibility of management of these laws. The Judiciary shall judge when these laws have been broken.

Article Two - LEGISLATURE

1. There shall be a legislative branch of Elarim consisting of one sub-branch called the House of Member State Representatives.
2. All member states not currently a member of the Executive branch are eligible to become members of the Member State House.
3. In order to confirm Legislative membership; a member state must register their nation's name on the Elarim online Forum.
4. All legislature members have the right to debate any aspect of Elarim's government.
5. All legislature members have the right to propose new legislation.
6. All legislature members have the right to vote in any General Poll affecting the powers of this Constitution AND in any General Election.
7. All legislature members are entitled to apply for positions in the Executive or Judiciary and can on the permission of the Prime Minister or Emperors become a Temporary Member of the Executive or Judiciary until such time as the position in question is filled by Election.

Article Three - EXECUTIVE

1. The Executive of Elarim shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of the region.
2. The Executive powers shall be vested in a Cabinet of Ministers.
3. The Prime Minister shall be the Head of the Cabinet. The nation holding this role shall be responsible for the co-ordination of the Cabinet and proposing a Programme for Government. The Prime Minister is entitled to become a Moderator of the Elarim Forum. The Prime Minister shall be democratically elected at every General Election. The Prime Minister has the right to run for re-election as many times as that nation wishes.
4. The Cabinet shall consist of the following eight ministries:
Ministry of Defence; Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Ministry of Home Affairs; Ministry of Constitutional And Legal Affairs
5. A member state shall be democratically elected to each of these posts at General Election times. Any nation holding a Ministry may run for re-election to that same post any number of times. There shall be no Cabinet re-shuffles because all states must be elected to their Ministries.
6. All executive members have the same voting rights as legislative members. (See Article 2; 6)

Article Four - JUDICIARY

1. The Judiciary shall be responsible for the interpretation of this Constitution and any Laws of the region and has the same rights to comment on Legislation as any other member state.
- 2 The Judiciary shall consist of the High Emperors, Vice Emperor, Emperor's Advisor. They shall be elected at General Election time in the same manner as the Cabinet. They may run for re-election as many times as they deem beneficial to the democratic way of Elarim.
3. The High Emperors roles shall be held as equal and shall act as a magistrate. The Advisor shall be responsible for providing a general overview of governmental issues to the Emperors and liaising with the Executive and Legislature. Any trial or court case initiated by the Region of Elarim shall be presided over by the Magistrate. They may enact a poll asking the opinion of Member States on these trials.
4. The Magistrate has the power to expel a Member State from the Region only if a poll open to all member states on this issue is declared won.

5. The Emperors have the right to become Elarim Forum Moderators. If an established Forum Admin loses his Emperor role during an election they can provide a training role to a new Emperor for a period of four weeks. They will remain admins during this training period but will lose their Admin privileges after this period.
6. The Emperors will have the responsibility of organizing elections in the absence of the Elections Officer.

Article Five - ELECTIONS

1. The Process

When a position is contested the region will democratically vote for this role to be filled. The vote will be held in the official Elarim forum, and due to the nature of the "Poll" option the voting will be anonymous. The "Polls" will be set up by the Elections Officer only, which assures fair voting throughout due to the fact that it would be started by a neutral power. An elections officer must be elected in the December General Elections or whenever a vacancy arises in that post.

All member nations are encouraged to vote. The Member Nations involved can vote for themselves within the "Poll" because there is no way of moderating this process on the forum. The vote will stand for a set period of time stated on the topic (usually 48 hours), and the poll will be stopped after and the role given to the winner. In the case of drawn votes, further votes will be taken until the position is filled. (See 2.1).

If one Nation applies for more than one role the Administrators will send them a personal message (this will only happen if there is a vote in which they are included), to find out which one they are more dedicated in becoming (this makes it more open for other nations to gain roles).

2. The Nations

2.1 - The nations included, should have written why they want the role, why they would be a good choice and how they would benefit the region. (This should be done when applying).

3. The Roles/Positions

The roles/positions available and occupied in the Government are stated above in Articles 2, 3 and 4. This application process can only be valid if the position is eligible for someone to apply:

3.1 - The positions already occupied can only be contested during a 5-day gap every 4 months during a General election (Starting on the first Thursday of Every April, August and December).

3.2 - Free positions can be applied for anytime of the year (successful applicants to free roles can not be contested against in the following general election due to limited time in office). (for an exception see 4.2)

3.3 - If there is only one nation applying for a free role there will be a new type of vote in the style of supporting or opposing this nation contesting for office.

4. Other Notes

4.1 - In the cases of a new government there will be a longer time for applications and voting due to the fact that there will be many different roles to fill. (These time periods vary and will be stated at the time).

4.2 - In the cases of a new government contested in the next General Election (regardless of how long Nations have been in office).

Article Six - UN DELEGATE

1. The UN Delegate must be democratically elected at every General Election.

2. The winner of the UN Delegate poll has special permission to send telegrams to all nations of Elarim in order to solicit Endorsements to help with the election to UN Delegate. If a Nation is not a winner of a UN Delegate poll they cannot send any telegrams, Emails or other communication specifically asking for a UN Endorsement at any time. All UN Endorsements must happen voluntarily.

3. A UN Delegate may hold his role for no longer than One Year.

4. The UN Delegate must exercise special responsibilities in his role as keeper of the Regional Controls.

Article Seven - AMMENDMENTS

1. In order to ratify this Constitution it must be approved by a Public Poll on the Elarim Forum by no less than two thirds of the voting members.

2. All Amendments to this Constitution must be taken by Public Poll.

Article Eight - ADMINISTRATORS OF ELARIM FORUM

1. This constitution recognizes the special position of the Principality of Sarlingo as this Region's Founder member and thus awards him the position of Lifetime Administrator of the Elarim Forum.
2. His powers and privileges must be exercised with maturity and any major decision regarding the Region must be taken with the permission of the Prime Minister, UN Delegate and Emperors.
3. The Republic of Lambon is also entitled to a Lifetime Administrator position.
4. Sarlingo and Lambon shall be the Elarim Forum Admins and have the power to choose and train in successors if they want.

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